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REMARKS

Appellants submitted the original Appeal Brief in this case September 20, 1996. By Notification of Defective Brief dated December 4, 1996, Appellants were advised that Brief did not contain the required Appendix of the claims.

On January 2, 1997, Appellants submitted triplicate copies of a revised Brief and claims. The Brief was contained in pages 1-4. The Appendix was contained in pages 5-7. All were part of the same document on the word processor.

The subject Advisory Action states the revised Brief submitted January 2, 1997 also did not contain the required Appendix. Appellants believe such an Appendix was included with the revised Brief for the following reasons.

1. The file copy of the revised Brief shows the Appendix to be included with the Brief and part of the same document on the word processor.<sup>1</sup>

2. The postcard returned from the PTO and stamped by the mailroom (copy enclosed) states that, *inter alia*, an APPEAL BRIEF WITH APPENDIX (ORIGINAL + 3 COPIES) was sent and received by the PTO.

<sup>1</sup> In contrast, Appellants' file copy of the first Brief does not show the Appendix to have been included.

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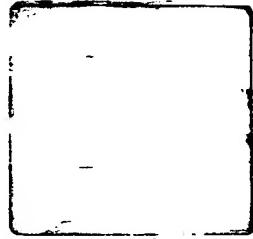
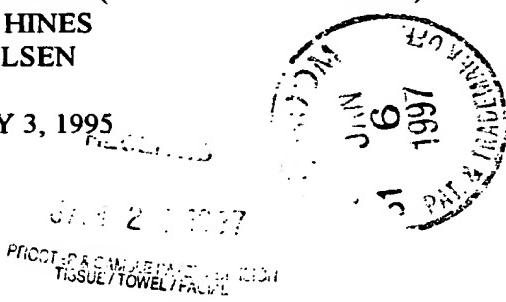
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